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In re Application of
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For: DRUG TRANSPORT AND DELIVERY
SYSTEM

DECISION

ON PETITION UNDER

37 CFR 1.47(a)

This decision is in response to Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed 11 September 2006.

On 16 June 2005, applicants submitted a declaration of the inventors in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a)-(b). The declaration is required by 37 CFR 1.497(a) to identify the specification to which it is directed. While it is preferable for the declaration to use the international application number and the international filing date, it is not required. The declaration identified the specification to which it was directed by listing the US serial number assigned to the national phase of PCT/CH03/00409.

The 29 March 2006 Notification of Missing Requirements (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) issued in error. It is hereby **VACATED**.

The fees for the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) and for the four month extension of time will be refunded to deposit account no. 13-2855, as authorized.

For the reasons discussed above, the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is **DISMISSED AS MOOT**.

The application has a date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) of 16 June 2005. This application is being referred to the National Phase Processing Branch of the Division of PCT Operations for further processing consistent with this decision.

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